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SUMMARY. OKINAWAN CAMPAIGN TO RETAIN PANAM AND NORTHWEST SERVICE
TO NAHA GAINS MOMENTUM. END SUMMARY.

PAGE2 RHAIBQA5345 C O N F I D E N T I A L

1. APPROXIMATELY 1000 REPRESENTATIVES OF 66 MUNICIPAL AND PREFECTURAL ORGANIZATIONS HELD MASS MEETING IN NAHA ON AUG 13 AND PASSED UNANIMOUS RESOLUTION APPEALING FOR CONTINUED INTERNATIONAL AIR SERVICE TO NAHA AND GOJ MEASURES TO LOWER DOMESTIC AIR FARE BETWEEN OKINAWA AND MAINLAND JAPAN. PREFECTURAL GOVT REPS AND OTHER SPEAKERS PLEDGED TO PRESS FORWARD WITH CAMPAIGN TO PERSUADE GOJ TO TAKE APPROPRIATE MEASURES TO THESE ENDS. LOCAL NEWS MEDIA CONTINUES GIVE THIS ISSUE MAJOR COVERAGE, HIGHLIGHTING OKINAWAN CLAIMS THAT CONTINUED PANAM AND NORTHWEST SERVICES ARE ESSENTIAL TO OKINAWA'S
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FUTURE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

2. CONGEN(AND WE BELIEVE LOCAL PANAM AND NORTHWEST REPS) PLANS
REMAIN STRICTLY ON SIDELINES, IN ROLE OF OBSERVER AS OKINAWANS
ACROSS THE POLITICAL SPECTRUM ON THEIR OWN ACCORD MOBILIZE PRESSURES
TO PRESERVE THIS U.S. INTEREST HERE.
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